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A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, was held in the Council Chamber in the City Hall, on Monday, December 12, 1966, at 3 o'clock p.m., with Mayor Stan R. Brookshire presiding, and Councilmen Claude L. Albea, Fred D. Alexander, Sandy R. Jordan, Milton Short, Jerry Tuttle and James B. Whittington present.

ABSENT: Councilman John H. Thrower.

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INVOCATION.

The invocation was given by Reverend Edwin O. Byrd, Jr., Minister of Third Presbyterian Church.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Short and unanimously carried, the minutes of the last meeting on November 28, 1966, were approved as submitted.

MAYOR, CITY MANAGER AND OTHERS COMMENDED FOR SELECTION OF CHIEF OF POLICE.

Mr. W. J. Elvin congratulated the Mayor, City Manager and all those who were responsible for bringing such an outstanding Chief of Police to Charlotte. That every move he has made, as far as he can see, has indicated that he is the man Charlotte has wanted for the last thirteen years.

OPPOSITION EXPRESSED TO THE ADOPTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE REGULATING MASSAGE PARLORS.

Mrs. Janet Lovelace stated she represents massage clinics, and she is interested in the new rules and regulations Council is considering for the clinics. She stated she agrees to everything but one. She understands the ladies will be working entirely on ladies and men on men. If this happens, then the ladies who have to work for a living are going to be left out in the cold. Not many ladies come in. If they had more equipment, they might but most of the smaller places do not have the equipment to take the ladies in. Mrs. Lovelace stated she has applied for a license and has been checked out; her record is clean and her license was approved, but Chief Selvey is holding back due to this ordinance. If she gets her license and opens up her place, she cannot depend all together on the ladies for her business. That she has no training other than to give massages and steam baths, and if this is taken away from her, then perhaps her children will have to stay out of school; they will have to go hungry and will have to go without clothes, as they depend mostly on her. That she has a husband, but he does not have too much education and cannot get some of the better paying jobs, and she has to work for a living, and this is what she has been trained to do for the last nine years. That she is very much against ladies working strictly on ladies. There might be a few shady places but just because there are a few does not mean that all of them are that way. That she would be most happy to have them come in and check her out any time.

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SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT TO CONTRACT WITH ERVIN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR SEWER EXTENSION TO THE PONDEROSA SUBDIVISION ALLOWING CREDIT FOR A PROPORTIONAL COST TRUNK APPROVED.

Councilman Tuttle moved approval of a supplemental agreement to contract with Ervin Construction Company, Inc., dated May 6, 1963, for sewer extension to the Ponderosa Subdivision, which amendment will allow credit for a proportional cost trunk which was inadvertently omitted when the original contract was drawn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington.

The City Manager advised when the City puts in such facilities as these, it is sized for the drainage area involved and as most often is the case, the property owner requesting the facilities does not own all the drainage area involved and, therefore, has to put in facilities over and above the size needed for his own use. In these cases, the city policy provides that the persons putting it in will have an opportunity to receive rebates based on any additional connections put on by others in the drainage area, plus the fact when the policy calls for a rebate to the person who pays for it, it reduces the cost based on the amount that is required for their own area.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT TO CONTRACT WITH ERVIN CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR SEWER EXTENSION TO THE NORTHWOOD ESTATES ALLOWING CREDIT FOR A PROPORTIONAL COST TRUNK APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan approving a supplemental agreement to contract with Ervin Construction Company, Inc., dated October 4, 1963, for sewer extension to the Northwood Estates, which amendment will allow credit for a proportional cost trunk which was inadvertently omitted when the original contract was drawn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander and carried unanimously.

CONTRACT WITH HIPPO CONSTRUCTION FOR EXTENSION OF SEWER MAIN IN SHARON AMITY ROAD CANCELLED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Alba and unanimously carried, contract with Hipp Construction Company dated October 24, 1966, covering the extension of a sewer main in Sharon Amity Road was cancelled and refund of the Company's deposit in the amount of \$405 was authorized.

CONTRACT WITH M. W. SLOAN AND F. W. WARRINGTON, PARTNERS FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAIN IN NORTH ATANDO DEVELOPMENT AUTHORIZED.

Councilman Whittington moved approval of a contract with M. W. Sloan and F. W. Warrington, Partners, for the installation of 2,355 feet of water main and three fire hydrants to serve property in North Atando Development, inside the city, at an estimated cost of \$12,400, with the City to finance all construction costs and the applicant to guarantee an annual gross water revenue equal to 10% of the total construction cost. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander and carried unanimously.

RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT WITH THE N. C. STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION FOR INSTALLATION OF WATER MAIN ALONG FREEDOM DRIVE, TUCKASEEGEE ROAD AND ASHLEY ROAD, AUTHORIZED.

Motion was made by Councilman Tuttle, seconded by Councilman Alexander and unanimously carried, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a right-of-way agreement with the N. C. State Highway Commission for the installation of a 12-inch water main along Freedom Drive, Tuckaseegee Road and Ashley Road, from the Old Cannon Airport Road to the ramp leading to the service road at I-85 and Ashley Road.

CHANGE ORDER NO. G-11 IN CONTRACT WITH REA CONSTRUCTION FOR THE MCALPINE CREEK WASTE TREATMENT PLAN APPROVED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Tuttle and unanimously carried, Change Order No. G-11 in contract with Rea Construction Company for the construction of the McAlpine Creek Waste Treatment Plant, reducing the contract price by a total of \$21,876.89 was approved.

The Change Order is as follows:

(1) For project completion date being delayed from June 30, 1965, to April 20, 1966, a total of 294 days at \$75 per day	deduct	\$22,050.00
(2) For relocating Ohmart Amplifier in Raw Sludge Pump Building	add	179.11
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	Net change in contract deduct	\$21,870.89

CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 IN CONTRACT WITH LAWSON CONSTRUCTION GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR FIRE STATION NO. 16 APPROVED.

Councilman Whittington moved approval of Change Order No. 1 in contract with Lawson Construction Company for the construction of Fire Station No. 16 reducing the contract price by a total of \$962.30. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan and carried unanimously.

The Change Order is as follows:

(1) Raise footings two feet in elevation as soil encountered was satisfactory for bearing	deduct	\$ 687.00
(2) Eliminate towel bars at toilet	deduct	42.00
(3) Specifications call for allowance of \$300 for test. Compaction tests cost was \$66.70.	deduct	233.30
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	Total deduction	\$ 962.30

CLAIM OF GUS POULOS FOR PROPERTY DAMAGES-TO CAR APPROVED.

Motion was made by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Short and unanimously carried, authorizing the payment of claim in the amount of \$85 for damages to a neon sign used in connection with a motel owned by Mr. Gus Poulos at 5014 South Boulevard, as recommended by the City Attorney.

CLAIM OF FRED B. BROADWAY FOR DAMAGES TO CAR APPROVED.

Councilman Whittington moved that claim in the amount of \$54.83 for damages to automobile owned by Mr. Fred B. Broadway caused when the right wheels of his car passed over a partially opened manhole cover at the intersection of South Graham and West Trade Streets be paid as recommended by the City Attorney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle.

Councilman Tuttle stated generally the claim refers to the fact that the City had knowledge when a manhole cover comes loose or wears out, or the ring wears out.

Mr. Kiser, City Attorney, replied generally this is true. However, if there is some additional circumstance surrounding the cause for the ring being loose of which the City should have had notice that is sufficient to make the City liable. In this case reasonable inspection would have shown that the spacer ring which was twenty years old had become inadequate.

The City Manager stated this should have been checked but it was not, and the City is in error.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION FIXING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON JANUARY 9, 1967, ON PETITION FOR LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS ON SHENANDOAH AVENUE, FROM BASCOM STREET TO HANOVER STREET, ADOPTED.

Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the subject resolution, which was seconded by Councilman Whittington and carried unanimously.

The resolution is recorded in full in Resolutions Book 5, at Page 373.

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1966, AS CITY EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION DAY.

Upon motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Albea and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, more than 2,300 skilled, professional and experienced workers are engaged in providing varied services to the citizens of Charlotte; and

WHEREAS, these city employees labor long and faithfully in the performance of their duties necessary to the comfort, convenience and well-being of the residents of the city; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is anxious to recognize the import of these faithful services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further wishes to acknowledge with appropriate ceremony, the loyalty, diligence and faithfulness of these city employees who have served the public continuously for five or more years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, that Monday, December 19, 1966 is hereby designated as

CITY EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION DAY.

which will be observed with proper ceremony to publicly express thanks for loyal and faithful service.

HILDERBRAND STREET, FROM BELLAIRE DRIVE TO NEAR MARIBEL AVENUE CHANGED TO REMINGTON STREET.

Councilman Alexander moved that the name of Hilderbrand Street, from Bellaire Drive to near Maribel Avenue be changed to Remington Street, as recommended by the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea.

Councilman Alexander stated he is aware of the fact that notice was given, but most of the residents would have preferred that the name be changed to Hilderbrand and the shorter section to Remington, but he feels they should have expressed their wishes in response to the notices which were sent out.

Mr. Veeder, City Manager, stated the Planning Commission's approach was that the longer of the two sections is Remington, and on this bases it would cause less confusion to change the shorter section to Remington.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

TRANSFER OF CEMETERY LOTS.

Upon motion of Councilman Short, seconded by Councilman Whittington and unanimously carried, the Mayor and City Clerk were authorized to execute deeds for the transfer of the following cemetery lots:

- (a) Deed with Mrs. Jeanette M. Walker, for Lot No. 319, Section 6, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$240.00.
- (b) Deed with Mrs. H. E. Adams for Graves No. 1, 2, and 3, Lot No. 175, Section 2, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$180.00.
- (c) Deed with Aaron L. Berryhill for Lot No. 443, Section 6, Evergreen Cemetery, at \$240.00.

CONTRACT AWARDED WORLD ELECTRONICS COMPANY FOR TWO TAPE RECORDERS.

Councilman Albea moved award of contract to the low bidder, World Electronics Company, in the amount of \$1,122.70 for two tape recorders for use by the Police Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

World Electronics Co.	\$ 1,122.70
Dixie Radio Supply Co., Inc.	1,131.20

CONTRACT AWARDED HARTSELL BROTHERS FENCE COMPANY FOR CHAIN LINK FENCE.

Motion was made by Councilman Albea and seconded by Councilman Short to award contract to the low bidder, Hartsell Brothers Fence Company, in the amount of \$4,474.00 on a unit price basis for 3,100 lineal feet of chain link fence to be erected on the south and north sides of the Elmwood Cemetery property.

Councilman Tuttle asked if the amount is within the budgeted figure, and Mr. Veeder advised that it is.

Councilman Alexander stated since Pinewood Cemetery is now enclosed with a similar type fence, he notices this is to fence in the north side of Elmwood, he asked if it would be necessary to go to the expense to put

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up a fence on the north side of Elmwood now that the similar type fence surrounds the northern properties of Pinewood which is completely closed out from the public of all the cemetery grounds?

Mr. Bobo, Administrative Assistant, advised this is the westerly portion rather than the northerly portion and is a continuation of the Pinewood fence.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Hartsell Brothers Fence Co.	\$ 4,474.00
Wilson Fence Company	4,541.47
Allison Fence Company	5,186.89
Anchor Post Products, Inc.	5,400.00
U. S. Steel Corporation	6,479.30

CONTRACT AWARDED DIXIE FIRE & SAFETY EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC. FOR AIR-PAKS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Councilman Jordan awarding contract to the low bidder, Dixie Fire & Safety Equipment Company, Inc., in the amount of \$2,216.56 for ten air-paks for the Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Dixie Fire & Safety Eqpt. Co., Inc.	\$ 2,216.56
Air Products & Chemicals, Inc.	
Southern Oxygen Division	2,398.49
Mine Safety Appliances Co.	2,421.48
Southeastern Safety Appliances, Inc.	2,552.34

CONTRACT AWARDED MINNESOTA MINING & MANUFACTURING COMPANY FOR SCOTCHLITE MATERIAL.

Councilman Tuttle moved award of contract to the only bidder, Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$2,774.04, on a unit price basis for seven rolls wide angle flat top silver and yellow Scotch-lite Material. The motion was seconded by Councilman Whittington and carried unanimously.

CONTRACT AWARDED YOUNG MOTOR COMPANY FOR THIRTY SEVEN 8-CYLINDER AUTOMOBILES.

Upon motion of Councilman Albea, seconded by Councilman Short and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Young Motor Company, in the amount of \$67,884.90 for thirty-seven 8-cylinder automobiles.

The following bids were received:

Young Motor Co.	\$67,884.90
Bill Beck Ford, Inc.	68,014.08
City Chrysler-Plymouth, Inc.	70,619.49
Terry's Plymouth, Inc.	72,058.00

CONTRACT AWARDED TERRY'S PLYMOUTH, INC. FOR RANCH TYPE STATION WAGON.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington awarding contract to the low bidder, Terry's Plymouth, Inc., in the amount of \$2,533.01 for one 8-cylinder ranch type station wagon for use by the Arson Squad in the Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Short and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Terry's Plymouth, Inc.	\$ 2,533.01
Bill Beck Ford, Inc.	2,603.63

CONTRACT AWARDED TERRY'S PLYMOUTH, INC. FOR ONE AUTOMOBILE.

Motion was made by Councilman Short and seconded by Councilman Albea to award contract to the low bidder, Terry's Plymouth, Inc., in the amount of \$1,968.40 for one 8-cylinder, 4-door automobile for the Fire Department.

Councilman Whittington asked if the old car will be a trade-in, and Mr. Veeder advised it will be sold at auction.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

The following bids were received:

Terry's Plymouth, Inc.	\$ 1,968.40
Bill Beck Ford, Inc.	2,140.79

Councilman Tuttle asked if the price is within the budget, and the City Manager advised that it is. Councilman Tuttle stated then the auction sale will be "gravy". Mr. Veeder replied to a certain extent because the cars came in cheaper than anticipated, so it will end up on the black side of the ledger in the purchase of automobiles.

CONTRACT AWARDED BILL BECK FORD, INC. FOR TWO AUTOMOBILES.

Upon motion of Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Whittington and unanimously carried, contract was awarded the low bidder, Bill Beck Ford, Inc., in the amount of \$3,424.15 for two 4-door automobiles for use by the Engineering and Traffic Engineering Departments.

The following bids were received:

Bill Beck Ford, Inc.	\$ 3,424.15
Young Motor Company	3,440.00
Terry's Plymouth, Inc.	3,730.18

CONTRACT AWARDED BURNER PARTS, INC. FOR TWO 2-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES WITH CABS.

Councilman Jordan moved award of contract to the only bidder, Burner Parts, Inc., in the amount of \$5,016.64 for two 2-wheel drive vehicles with cabs. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea and carried unanimously.

PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS AUTHORIZED.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, the following property transactions were authorized:

- (a) Acquisition of easement 10' x 474.05' and 10' x 94.50' in Shannon Park, from Tri-Development Corporation, at \$1.00 for sanitary sewer to serve Shannon Park No. 8.
- (b) Acquisition of easement 20' x 556.86' near Red Barn Lane, from John Crosland Company, at \$1.00 for sanitary sewer to serve Beverly Woods.
- (c) Acquisition of easement 5' x 100' at 3067 Freedom Drive, from Vernon S. Alexander, at \$1.00, for sanitary sewer to serve Freedom Drive.
- (d) Acquisition of easement 5' x 100' at 3061 Freedom Drive, from Steve P. Fellos, at \$1.00 for sanitary sewer to serve Freedom Drive.
- (e) Acquisition of easement 5' x 100' at 3055 Freedom Drive, from Dr. B. J. Butler, at \$50.00 for sanitary sewer to serve Freedom Drive.
- (f) Acquisition of easement 10' x 15' on Chesapeake Drive, from Pneumafil Corporation, at \$1.00 for water meter to serve Pneumafil Corporation.
- (g) Consent judgment for property of Woodrow Pittillo, at the southeast corner of East 12th Street and North Brevard Street, in the amount of \$711.00 in connection with the Northwest Expressway Project.
- (h) Consent judgment for property of E. Reid Russell, et al, for the northwest corner of West 11th Street and North Church Street, in the amount of \$13,800, in connection with the Northwest Expressway Project.

CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT AUTHORIZED WITH THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION PERMITTING STATE TO PLACE FILL DIRT ON CITY OWNED LOT ALONG WEST BOULEVARD.

Councilman Whittington moved that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a construction easement for \$100 with the State Highway Commission permitting the State Highway Commission to place fill dirt on a city-owned lot along West Boulevard. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan, and carried unanimously.

PROPERTY ON WEST BOULEVARD ON THE WEST SIDE OF TAGGART CREEK AUTHORIZED OFFERED FOR SALE.

Upon motion of Councilman Whittington, seconded by Councilman Jordan, and unanimously carried, property located on West Boulevard on the west side of Taggart Creek was authorized offered for sale with the bid to begin at \$1,000 and the City to retain a 25-foot right of way.

ORDINANCE NO. 570 AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE V, ENTITLED "MASSEURS, MASSAGE PARLORS, HEALTH SALONS".

Councilman Short moved the adoption of the subject ordinance as presented with one change that in Section 6-53, the last sentence, the three words "mayor and the" be deleted. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tuttle and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 14, beginning at Page 454.

ORDINANCE NO. 571-X AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 498-X, THE 1966-67 BUDGET ORDINANCE, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATION.

Motion was made by Councilman Whittington adopting the subject ordinance authorizing the transfer of \$3,500 from the General Fund Contingency Account to Engineering - Streets to provide for the labor involved in replacing the sidewalk on streets surrounding the Edwin Towers Housing Project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jordan and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 14, at Page 458.

ORDINANCE NO. 572-X AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 498-X, THE 1966-67 BUDGET ORDINANCE, AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY APPROPRIATION.

Councilman Albea moved the adoption of the subject ordinance authorizing the transfer of \$3,900 from the General Fund Contingency Account to Engineering - Streets for the construction of a gravel walk along the north side of Commonwealth Avenue, between Milroy Drive and Briar Creek Road. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander and carried unanimously.

The ordinance is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 14, at Page 459.

REPORT THAT REQUEST FOR \$50,000 HAS BEEN MADE TO THE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR THE CITY'S BI-CENTENNIAL 200TH ANNIVERSARY.

Councilman Whittington stated in connection with the meeting of the Conservation and Development Commission meeting in the City at this time, Mr. Brodie Griffith, former Vice President made a request and plea to the Board for the allocation of \$50,000 to the Bi-Centennial 200th Anniversary Commission created by the Mayor. That he as a representative of the Mayor and the City made a plea for the same thing. The request goes before the committees involved this afternoon, and he thinks it was well received this morning.

Mayor Brookshire replied the report he received at noon today would indicate optimism in the matter.

TRAFFIC ENGINEER REQUESTED TO CHECK SPEED SIGN ON PROVIDENCE ROAD AT ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL AND HAVE IT CHANGED TO 25 M.P.H.

Councilman Whittington stated it is his understanding that the school signs as far as speed limits are concerned on Providence Road are all 25 MPH at the intersections except the one at St. Gabriel's School which is 35 MPH. That he thinks the City should do what it can with the cooperation of the State and change that to 25 MPH so that it would be uniform throughout the limits of that particular road. He requested that Mr. Hoose, Traffic Engineer, look into this matter.

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CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE NEED FOR STREET LIGHT IN 3000 BLOCK OF COMMONWEALTH AVENUE.

Councilman Whittington requested the City Manager to investigate the request of the residents of the 3000 block of Commonwealth Avenue for a street light. That this is between Briar Creek and the Williamsburg Village apartments at the foot of the hill.

REPORT ON PICK UP OF LEAVES IN THE CITY.

Councilman Albea stated he has had more telephone calls in the last week than he had all year concerning leaves being picked up - some saying the leaves have not been picked up in three months.

The City Manager advised through yesterday, 2398 loads of leaves have been picked up. That Mr. Davis, Motor Transport Superintendent, estimates they have now picked up approximately 70% of the total, and he expects by a week from yesterday, they will be over the hump, and it will be routine from there on. That he estimates there is about another 700 to 800 loads to be picked up.

TRAFFIC ENGINEER REQUESTED TO CHECK BEATTIES FORD ROAD AT DIXON STREET WHERE CURVES BEGIN AND MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS.

Councilman Alexander requested the City Manager to discuss with Mr. Hoose, Traffic Engineer, Beatties Ford Road at Dixon Street where the road begins to curve. That the lanes meet at Dixon Street, and there is half a chance you will run head-on into whatever is coming around the curve. That he does not know whether the lanes need to be shortened or narrowed, but he is afraid that one of these days, we will be picking up people from the curve. When you come up to the curve, you come right into the face of another car; you can get sideswapped or hit head-on. He requested the City Manager to insist that Mr. Hoose try to find some way to remedy the situation.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23 GRANTED AS EXTRA HOLIDAY FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

Councilman Short stated it has been the tradition for this Council to give an extra day of vacation during the holiday season to the city employees, and he moved that this extra day be given this year, and that the day be Friday, December 23. The motion was seconded by Councilman Albea.

The City Manager advised that two successive Mondays will be holidays, and Mr. Short's suggestion is in keeping with what Council has done in prior years - that in addition to these two days, another day be granted and that this day be Friday, the 23rd, and he would concur that this would be the better day if Council wants to continue this practice.

The vote was taken on the motion and carried unanimously.

REPORT FROM ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES.

Councilman Short stated he would like to mention a few points that were emphasized at the annual meeting of the National League of Cities.

The theme of the convention was "Creating a City which is suitable for people to live in". One of the speakers said he had been at the 1934 Convention, and this was the theme of that convention; he questioned whether we had gained any at all on the problem since 1934. One thing that was discussed quite a bit was what citizens can do to prevent crime. There was favorable comment about the new San Francisco ordinance which makes it a misdemeanor to leave a key in the ignition of a parked automobile, as this invites the stealing of automobiles and, perhaps, leads to other crimes where a stolen car would be used, such as holdups. Councilman Short stated he knows that such an ordinance is under consideration for Charlotte.

The development of an informational office such as Councilman Jordan has sponsored was commented upon most favorably by a number of the delegates and some of the speakers; that wherever these have been, they have been successful more than anticipated - both as expeditors of complaints about city administration as well as a means of public information.

That the most noted speaker was Mr. Doxiadis, the City Planner, and he spoke about the development of a "megalopolis", which is a continuous city such as we now have from Washington to Boston. After this speech delegates in small groups discussed mass transportation, including the subway type and the improved surface type and, also, the monorail type. Councilman Short stated he thinks it is safe to prophesy that this is a matter that will be heard about in municipal circles over the next decade, because this relates not only to the moving of people, but also air pollution; the idea being that automobiles lead to air pollution in larger cities.

Mr. W. J. Elvin stated that no one should go to these conventions at the city's expense if they cannot present a written report and discuss it orally just the way Mr. Short has done. That he thinks this should be manatory.

CITY MANAGER REQUESTED TO HAVE POLICE DEPARTMENT PATROL PROVIDENCE ROAD.

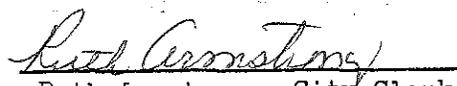
Councilman Tuttle stated he would like to thank Mr. Whittington for bringing up the signs in front of the school on Providence Road. That he thinks this is perhaps the most dangerous half mile or quarter of mile in the City of Charlotte. That even at a posted 35 MPH they go 50 to 55 MPH. He requested the City Manager to have the Police Department go out and patrol this area for a while, because both the east bound and west bound traffic pay no attention to the signs.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT THANKED FOR EFFORTS IN GETTING DUSTY STREET IN THOMASBORO-HOSKINS AREA IMPROVED.

Councilman Tuttle thanked Mr. Bobo, Administrative Assistant, for following through on what seemed to be an impossible situation in the Thomasboro-Hoskins Area of the dusty street which the City had no jurisdiction over. It looks as though Mr. Bobo is going to get something worked out with the railroad through continued efforts.

ADJOURNMENT.

Upon motion of Councilman Jordan, seconded by Councilman Whittington and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.


Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk